

BUILD YOUR FUTURE CAMPAIGN PROMOTES \$20,000 HOUSING SUBSIDY

Council is in the midst of an extensive advertising campaign to promote the Build Your Future Lismore Housing Subsidy Scheme, which offers individuals and families \$20,000 subsidies to build a home.

The scheme only runs until 30 March, so people are encouraged to move quickly and make an application.

The \$20,000 Build Your Future advertising campaign includes display advertising on three city buses, radio, TV, print and social media marketing and aims to stimulate new housing activity in Lismore.

The \$20,000 subsidies are available for land lots at six new developments throughout Lismore and Goonellabah. The developments include a wide range of housing types with an emphasis on sustainable design and affordability.

The Build Your Future Lismore Housing Subsidy Scheme is part of the Federal Government's Building Better Regional Cities program and is designed to help low to moderate income earners achieve home ownership.

The \$20,000 grants are available in the following land release areas:

- Airforce Road, East Lismore
   Contact Warren Everingham on 0429 944 931
- Altitude Eco Village, Casuarina Drive, Goonellabah
   Contact Scott Wharton on 0488 910 587 or visit www.altitudeecovillage
- Echo Glen, Invercauld Road, Goonellabah
   Contact Stephen Day on 9186 4700
- The North Lismore Plateau (The Winten Group), Dunoon Road Contact Jim Punch on 0412 047 735
- Valley View, Pineapple Road, Goonellabah
   Contact Lucas Zorzo on 0437 040 969 or visit www.valleyviewestate.com
- Sanctuary Hill, Invercauld Road, East Lismore Contact Warren Everingham on 0429 944 931



The table below shows eligibility based on annual income:

Household Type	Upper Income Limit \$
1 adult	88,000
2 adults	88,000
3 adults	100,000
4 adults	122,000
Sole parent with 1 child/student	88,000
Sole parent with 2 children	97,000
Sole parent with 3 children	116,000
Couple with 1 child	97,000
Couple with 2 children	116,000
Couple with 3 children	135,000

For more information or to access the relevant application forms, visit www.buildyourfuture.net.au or phone Council on 1300 87 83 87.

# NEW GREEN ARMY TEAM HELPS OUR NORTHERN KOALAS

A new Green Army team has started work restoring koala habitat in the north-west of the Lismore Local Government Area (LGA).

The Green Army is a hands-on environmental program that provides young people aged 17 to 24 with skills, training and experience in environmental management while helping to protect habitat for threatened species like koalas.

This program contributes to delivery of Council's Biodiversity Management Strategy, which seeks to improve the natural environment in the Lismore LGA and also provide skills and pathways to employment for young people interested in environmental-based work.

Green Army Supervisor Lucas Salmon from EnviTE NSW described the work as "critical" as the koala is listed as vulnerable to extinction under NSW legislation.

Lismore is home to one of the few urban koala populations in the state, and a relatively healthy population throughout the rest of the LGA. Nevertheless, the pressures of disease, habitat loss and degradation, road traffic and dog attacks are inflicting a heavy toll. Continuing to restore habitat through tree planting and weed removal is essential to ensuring these local koala populations can thrive and survive into the future.

The Green Army team will be working for the next 20 weeks planting around 1200 trees and undertaking extensive weed removal around Nimbin, Terania Creek and The Channon.

This is the second team in as many years to undertake this work locally, with the first team focusing on the south-east of the LGA.

These projects are supported by the Australian Government's Green Army Programme and Lismore City Council, EnviTE NSW and Conservation Volunteers Australia.

Image: Green Army supervisor Lucas Salmon from EnviTE NSW with team members (I-r) Joanne Hetherington, Ethan Wakely, Noah Quinn, Oliver von der Heidt, Dylan Irwin, Kirby Petty, Tashi Matthews and Abbey Mayne.



# CLUBGRANTS FUNDING OPEN ON 1 MARCH TO COMMUNITY GROUPS

Applications for grants of up to \$5000 will soon be available through the annual NSW ClubGRANTS scheme, which is funded through the NSW Registered Clubs Gaming Tax.



Category 1 funding is for projects that address community welfare and social services, community development, health services and employment assistance activities, and other projects aimed at improving the living standards of low income and disadvantaged people.

To be eligible to apply you must be a not-for-profit organisation working in the Lismore Local Government Area and comply with the

Category 1 Guidelines. It is important to read these guidelines before commencing your application.

Organisations must apply via an online application form, which will go live on 1 March.

The local committee assessing the applications consists of representatives from the Lismore Workers Club, Social Futures, the Indigenous community, NSW Family and Community Services and Lismore City Council.

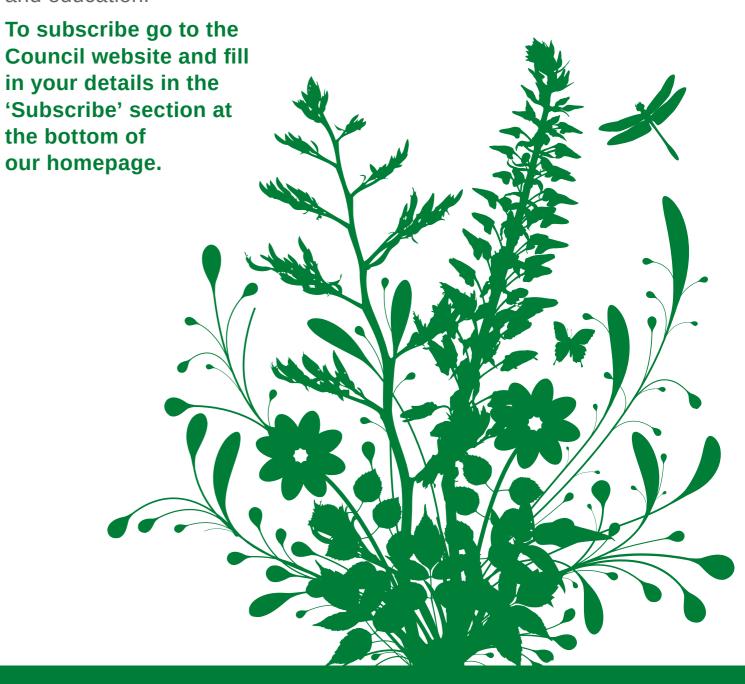
Applications close on 31 March at 5pm. Successful applicants will be notified by 31 May 2017.

For more information please phone Catherine Rosenbaum on 1300 87 83 87.

# SIGN UP! NEW LISMORE BIODIVERSITY E-NEWSLETTER

The Lismore Biodiversity News is a quarterly e-newsletter that will keep you up to date with the roll out of projects under the Biodiversity Management Strategy such as the Rural Landholder Initiative and Urban Green Corridors Plan.

It also contains a feature called 'Weeds of the Season' and links to other useful websites and grants. This is an easy way to get news on Council's environmental initiatives straight to your inbox and stay informed about a range of issues and upcoming grants, events and education.



# SWAP YOUR MOBILE FOR A MEAL AND HELP THOSE IN NEED

Between now and 28 February, every time you recycle a mobile phone with Council or at local drop-off points, MobileMuster will donate the value of a meal to OzHarvest, helping them to feed people in need across the country.

The Mobile for a Meal campaign aims to encourage Australians to recycle 60,000 mobiles, which will help OzHarvest provide 60,000 meals to vulnerable Australians.

Electronic waste, including small gadgets such as mobile phones and their accessories, is the fastest growing waste in Australia with a staggering 25 million old, unused handsets sitting around at homes and in the workplaces ready to be recycled.

To help this worthy cause, all you need to do is clean out your drawers and recycle your old mobile phones and accessories.

The easiest way to do this is with our FREE Resource Recovery Collection Satchels. You can pick these up for free at Lismore Library, our Corporate Centre at 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah, or at the Lismore Recycling & Recovery Centre.

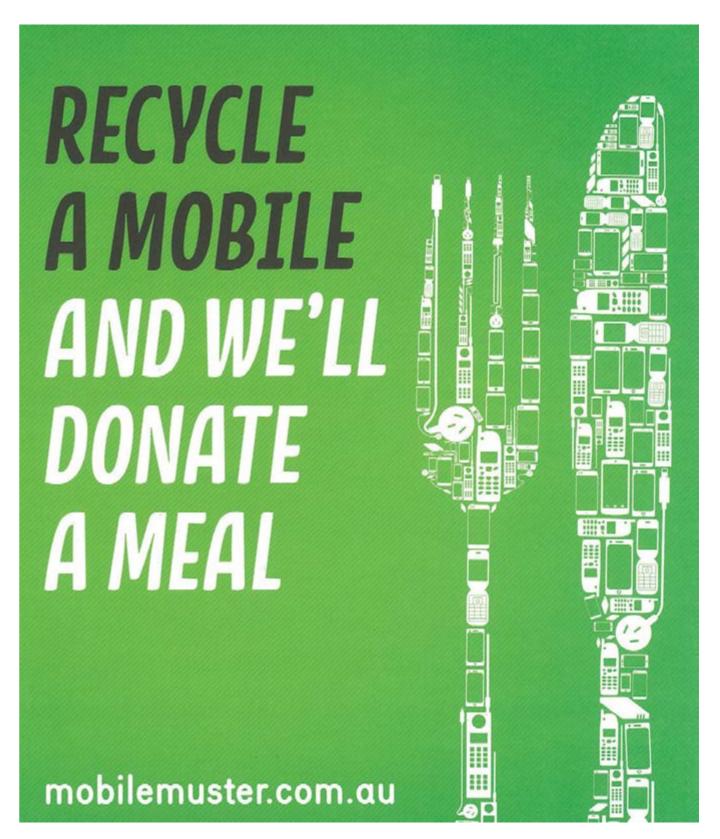
Simply place your old mobile phones and accessories in the Resource Recovery Collection Satchel, seal it up and then place it in your yellow recycling bin. Council will then transport all the mobile phones to MobileMuster to help feed those in need.

You can also drop-off mobile phones and accessories at the following locations:

- Telstra, Optus, Allphones
- Australia Post outlets

"This is a really easy way to help recycle old phones and help people who are struggling," Council's Waste Education Officer Danielle Hanigan said.

"OzHarvest do a great job of rescuing quality surplus food from more than 2000 commercial outlets and they deliver it, direct and free of charge, to more than 900 charities. So the Mobile for a Meal campaign is reducing e-waste as well as food waste."





## DEVELOPMENT CONSENTS ISSUED

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ACT**

In accordance with the provisions of Section 101 of the Act and Clause 124 of the EP&A Regulation, notification is given that the undermentioned developments have recently been granted consent.

#### 15/270-2 220 Dibbs Street, East Lismore:

Section 96(1) modification to amend proposal from a dual occupancy development to dwelling alterations and additions.

### **16/135-2** 10 O'Mahoney Drive, Goonellabah:

Section 96(1A) modification to move the house site 1.2m back from original site, remove an eave, change an access door to a roller door, replace a post with a bearer and concrete sub-floor.

16/295 216 Invercauld Road, Goonellabah: Shed (amended site plan).

#### 16/352 2 Hakea Court, Goonellabah:

Attached dual occupancy with respective building line variations of 3.65m to Hakea Court and 5.49m to Brooker Drive.

#### 16/382 106 The Channon Road, The Channon:

To establish a rural industry comprising of: Stage 1 – Construction of a new processing facility; and Stage 2 – Construction of a site office and associated on-site sewage system.

### **16/407** 29 Lomandra Avenue, Caniaba:

Dwelling and shed.

### **16/408** 18 Lomandra Avenue, Caniaba:

Swimming pool, retaining wall and fence with a building line variation to Myall Court.

### 16/430 759 Tregeagle Road, Tregeagle:

Inground swimming pool.

#### 16/433 459 Dunoon Road, Tullera:

Inground swimming pool.

Details of applications and consents, together with conditions attached, may be inspected at Council's Corporate Centre during business hours or via DA Tracking at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.



# NOTIFICATION: CONSTRUCTION OF SHARED PATH ON BALLINA ROAD, LISMORE

As part of a project to build a shared path/cycleway from Ross

Street, Lismore Heights, right down to the Lismore Transit Centre,

Council will begin work soon on a section of Ballina Road between

Diadem Street and Brewster Street.

This is Stage 1 of a three-stage project funded under the Active Transport 2016/17 Cycling Towns program to create a cycleway from Richmond Hill Road right down to the CBD. Stages two and three are yet to be funded.

As part of works on the shared path between Diadem Street and Brewster Street, the existing Telstra payphone needs to be relocated to the other side of the new footpath and this will be upgraded to a new 'Magestic' model.

Council also needs to remove three existing trees along this section of Ballina Road. These trees have been assessed by Council's Tree Officer who has advised that they are damaging the kerb and are too low for cyclists. They also require regular pruning due to powerlines.

We will replace these trees with eight *Acmena Smitii* (minor) trees.

This more appropriate species will not affect infrastructure and will not need trimming by Essential Energy.

The works will be completed by the end of April 2017.

Should you require any additional information in relation to the proposed works please do not hesitate to contact Council's Design Officer Hayley Collins on 1300 87 83 87.





# TRAFFIC ALERTS

### Roadworks underway...

In your travels around town please remember there are a number of roadworks currently underway.

# Diadem Street between Ballina Road and Uralba Street, Lismore (water main)

Parts of Diadem Street will continue to have traffic control, including some parking lane closures, as the water main is replaced in stages.

#### **Beaumont Drive, East Lismore** (water main)

The 0.25km section of Beaumont Drive at its Barham Street intersection will be under traffic control conditions.

### Cathcart Street, Lismore (road and drainage works)

Cathcart Street will again be temporarily closed between Ewing Street and Magellan Street when we recommence this staged work. Once complete, we will then move on to the next section of Cathcart Street towards Conway Street.

# Gungas Road at Tuntable Falls Road, Nimbin (road widening and resurfacing)

Gungas Road north of the Tuntable Falls Road intersection will remain under traffic control when we recommence this staged work.

#### Coraki Road, South Gundarimba to Coraki (resurfacing)

Coraki Road between the Bruxner Highway and Wyrallah Ferry Road will continue to have traffic control while we reseal sections of the road in stages.





## Works commencing soon...

We are still finalising our plans for a number of other works so please keep an eye out in the following areas for traffic advisory signage with start dates.

# Keen Street between Woodlark and Magellan Streets (CBD footpath replacements)

We may begin staged footpath work with a temporary closure of the Larkin Lane intersection with the west side of Keen Street. We will be in contact with adjoining businesses once we can confirm our plans.

# Ballina Road between Holland Street and Pineapple Road, Goonellabah (resurfacing)

We hope to start these staged works on weekends sometime in February subject to weather and finalising plans with Roads and Maritime Services.





# HANDY HINTS FOR A HEALTHY SEPTIC SYSTEM

Council recommends pumping out your septic tank every four years to keep it performing well. An easy way to remember when to do this is to pick a sporting event like the Olympics or the World Cup and have the system pumped out every time it comes around!

Your septic may also have an effluent filter that needs to be cleaned every year. To locate your filter, open the inspection opening that is furthest away from your house. To clean, wear appropriate protection, gloves and eye protection, and hose off the filter into an isolated garden.

If you have a grease trap it also needs to be cleaned out every year.

Again, make sure you wear appropriate protection, then empty and bury the contents of your grease trap under at least 150mm of soil somewhere on your property.

Your septic tank and distribution box, if you have one, should also be checked for roots and



ant infestations once a year to ensure that the wastewater is being evenly distributed between your absorption fields.

There are approximately 6500 known on-site systems in the Lismore Local Government Area. Council has a program of random auditing targeting both existing systems and new owners. Council currently conducts a minimum of 600 inspections per year. From these figures, each owner can expect an audit inspection every 10-12 years.

If you would like your existing system inspected please contact Lismore City Council, or for more information on how to care for your system, read the educational information on our website at www.lismore.nsw.gov.au.



## **GAZETTAL OF ROAD NAMES**

Roads Act 1993, Section 162, Roads Regulation 2008

The following roads have recently been named/renamed:

- Gordon Road South, Koonorigan, to **Mani Ridge, Koonorigan** renamed.
- New roads for construction as part of McLeans Ridges Subdivision Stage 3: Talbot Close, Eleanor Place and Spurfield Road, Boat Harbour.

Published in the NSW Government Gazette No. 92 on 11 November 2016.

# RATES REMINDER

All Lismore ratepayers are reminded that your third rates instalment for the 2016/17 rateable year is due for payment on Tuesday, 28 February 2017.

## **YOUR COVER**

Tashi Matthews of Lismore, 21, is one of nine young people aged 17 to 24 who are undertaking a 20-week Green Army course to restore local koala habitat. The group is learning new skills in propagation, bush regeneration, weed control and habitat restoration.

"I decided to join the Green Army because of what they stand for and because they are into environmental conservation," Tashi said. "I love animals and for me to be able to help koalas and help expand their habitat in the Northern Rivers area is just a wonderful thing to be doing. I hope it can get me work further down the track in an environmental field that includes working with animals. So far, I'm absolutely loving it."





# CONTACT US: 1300 87 83 87

Lismore City Council's Corporate Centre is located at 43 Oliver Avenue, Goonellabah.

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